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U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE ct of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless if displays a valid OMB control number Docket No. (Optional) PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) 29264/38278 In re Application of Minas T. Coroneo **Application Number** Filed 10/084,604 February 27, 2002 METHODS FOR PREVENTING PRESSURE INDUCED For: APOPTOTIC NEURAL CELL DEATH Art Unit 1614 Examiner Not Yet Assigned This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above identified application. The requested extension and appropriate non-small-entity fee are as follows (check time period desired): One month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1)) Two months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(2)) Three months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(3)) \$ Four months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(4)) \$ 1,480.00 Five months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(5)) Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. Therefore, the fee amount shown above is reduced by one-half, and the resulting fee is: \$ 740.00 A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed. Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached. The Director has already been authorized to charge fees in this application to a Deposit Account. HCHILIP BOOM The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account Number 13-2855 I have enclosed a duplicate copy of this sheet. I am the applicant/inventor. assignee of record of the entire interest. See 37 CFR 3.71. Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) is enclosed. (Form PTO/SB/96). attorney or agent of record. Registration Number attorney or agent under 37 CFR 1.34(a). Registration number if acting under 37 CFR 1.34(a) January 14, 2004 Date Signature Thomas J. Wrona, Ph.D. (312) 474-9559 Telephone Number Typed or printed name NOTE: Signatures of all the inventors or assignees of record of the entire interest or their representative(s) are required. Submit multiple forms if more Total of forms are submitted.

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